

## MEMBER MEETING IN OCTOBER

Come and enjoy lunch with fellow members at the meeting on October 18, 2013.

The speaker for the meeting will be Ginger Pedersen, Dean of Curriculum and Educational Technology at the Lake Worth Campus, who will be speaking about the book she co-authored about the history of Boynton Beach, *Pioneering Palm Beach: The Deweys and the South Florida Frontier*. Years of research went into the making of this fascinating story of the pioneering Deweys.

The Lake Worth Director of the Learning Resources Center (library, to most of us), Brian Kelly, will also speak briefly about the Duncan anniversary celebration.

At our last meeting we voted to create a new position on the CRA's Executive Board: a Communications / Webmaster Coordinator, to maintain a membership database, oversee communications with members, and maintain a CRA web page on the College's web site.

Nancy Buhl has been doing a splendid job in this very busy position, but we members must help by keeping her informed of changes in addresses and phone numbers and remembering to check our web page for new information.

The meeting on October 18, 2013, will begin at 11:30 AM, as usual, and end by 2:00 PM in the faculty dining room on the Lake Worth Campus.



See more photos on the CRA website!

[www.palmbeachstate.edu/CRA/photo-album](http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/CRA/photo-album)

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—*Shelley Hill*

Greetings! Your College Retirees Association (CRA) has been very busy this year. Major accomplishments have been made to enhance our presence as an organization. Communications Coordinator Nancy Buhl is the major force behind these developments. Specifically, we now have our own page on the College's website. It includes:

- A welcoming address with information pertaining to retirees' available benefits
- A membership application form
- A history of EFA/CRA written by our own Dr. Joan Young, a founding member
- CRA Bylaws
- Pictures of CRA events

In addition, Nancy maintains our member database and has distributed the first on-line newsletter.

We have an exciting and interesting speakers lined up for our October 18, 2013, meeting in the faculty dining room on the Lake Worth Campus. Come for lunch, meet former and new retirees and learn new happenings at the College. We will begin the meeting and luncheon at 11:30 AM.

Our holiday luncheon is scheduled for December 6, 2013 at the Atlantis Country Club, beginning at 11:30 AM. Our decoration committee would appreciate volunteers. Please do not hesitate to contact our VP Marie Reddy at (561) 301-3120.

We look forward to seeing you in October.

## NEWS OF MEMBERS

*Write to us! We'd love to hear from you!*

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**Peggy Adams-King** and her husband, Allan, really enjoy traveling. In addition to their ski vacations, they also enjoy road trips and cruising. This spring they traveled to Philadelphia in April for a family reunion. While there, they visited Longwood Gardens, Philadelphia, and the Amish country. In May they went on an Eastern Caribbean cruise on the *Allure of the Seas* with four friends. Later that month they flew to Las Vegas with two friends where they saw some shows. Then they drove to Sedona and the North Rim of the Grand Canyon in Arizona and Kodachrome State Park, Bryce Canyon and Zion National Parks in Utah. They enjoyed the beautiful scenery and even tackled some "easy" hikes. In June they flew into Boston and drove through Maine, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia. They really enjoyed the Cape Breton Island area of Nova Scotia, the site of one of Canada's national parks. They had planned a trip to Seattle in August that included an Alaskan cruise but had to forgo it, because Allan became ill. Peggy says that, although they enjoy traveling, they are both very happy to return home to West Palm Beach where she uses Shutterfly.com to create photo books of their travels.

**Patti Anderson** writes that she is really enjoying retirement as she knows "we all are!" and she is looking forward to seeing everyone in December. (We hope this doesn't mean we won't see her for lunch at the October meeting!)

**Bill Boorman** finally decided to get rid of his Lake Worth house and sold it in July. His new address is 2908 Foxcroft Dr., Tallahassee 32309.

**Ginny Brooks**, our Program Coordinator, and her husband, John, had a pleasant summer—finally. Last May they had learned that John's cancer had spread, but he started on a treatment of medication that has brought it under control. So in June they were able to make their annual visit to their house on a lake near Knoxville, TN, where they enjoyed seeing their friends, attending two family reunions, and being in the milder weather. They will have to miss our next meeting in October, because they are booked for a week of fun in Orlando, but Ginny arranged a fine program for us on October 18, even though she will have to miss it.

Our Communications Coordinator **Nancy Buhl** is enjoying trips to UCF to see her grandson Austin play soccer for the UCF Knights. Austin graduated from The King's Academy in June with multiple awards for his athletic endeavors, as did his older brother, Tyler, in 2011 and currently a junior at FSU.

**Maureen Cavallaro** is thankful that retirement allows her the opportunities to visit her children and grandchildren in Colorado and Indiana. When not traveling, she volunteers at a local soup kitchen.

The **Connollys, Joanne and John**, find living among wild oaks, walking trails, natural springs, and flowering Gainesville very pleasant. They regularly walk a 3 1/4-mile loop under the shade of the oaks. John says he is "nicely recovered" from triple by-pass cardiac surgery, which was done in September 2012. They may resume traveling out of the country or bus touring in this country in the fall. Both of their grandsons have graduated from universities and have jobs. They send best wishes to everyone.

**Lore Conti** writes that she is enjoying her new great-granddaughter and the rest of her family in her retirement.

**Ed Eissey** wrote to say that, since retiring, he ran for Mayor of North Palm Beach and won, serving as Mayor for four terms and on the Town Commission for 12 years. He says he misses all of his former employees and sends XOXO to all.

Our oldest member, **Banna Ghiotto**, was honored to be a recipient of the 6<sup>th</sup> annual "Take Flight Award" from the Faith\*Hope\*Love\*Charity, Inc., which owns and operates Stand Down House in Palm Springs. The organization helps veterans who are struggling due to mental/physical wounds and illness, addictions, homelessness and/or other issues to regain their lives.

**Charles Graham's** grandson ran the Boston Marathon on April 15, 2013 and completed the race 25 minutes before the bomb went off. Charles' son and family of six were at the finish line about 10 minutes before the bombs exploded. They had just returned to their hotel and were not injured. Their hotel was evacuated.

**Ruth and Paul Graham** are both having physical problems—at 94 years of age, Paul has two broken legs, while Ruth suffers from inoperable back and shoulder pain. But Ruth still plays the piano daily.

Micki and **Peter Krieger** have been having a good time traveling. They are in a toy hauler. (For those who have no idea of what that is, it's a trailer with facilities to carry a motorcycle, atv, etc.). They have a motorcycle and enjoy riding the back roads and the parkways (Foot Hills, Blue Ridge, Skyline Drive, etc.).

Unfortunately, they will be leaving before the May meeting and won't come home until after the Fall meeting. [Ed. Note: We hope they can make the December Holiday Lunch!]

**Dan O'Connell** graduated from the Master Gardeners Program at the Mounts Botanical Gardens in West Palm Beach and will be working as a volunteer at the Mounts Garden. He continues to maintain and enhance the memorial butterfly garden dedicated to his mother, Perry-Belle Walton O'Connell. Dan and Ruth will be going on a 33-day adventure to visit Poland and Germany, including visits with Ruth's Bodensiek family and a former PBSC student during the German elections in Berlin.

In July **Ernie Parboo** and Susan flew to Vancouver via Houston and San Francisco. After two days in Vancouver, they boarded a Canadian train for a 1,200-mile journey to Saskatoon, Canada, to attend a religious broadcast missionary convention sponsored by the Lutheran Hour Ministries. Then, a flight home via Toronto and New York City after an eleven-day exciting trip to Canada.

**Janette Sanders** had surgery on her right hand, requiring restraint or a brace from mid-June through August. She writes: "It was a long stretch. You forget how much you need your right hand and thumb to do things.

**Joe Schneider** and his wife are proud of all three of their grandchildren, but their latest news is of their nine-year-old, Andrew, who was selected to play baseball on a very strong West Raleigh team in a Cal Ripken Baseball League early this summer. Last we heard (when Joe wrote towards the end of June), Andrew's team was undefeated, having won their first eleven games.

They were scheduled to play for the district championship and hoped to go on and compete in the State North Carolina Baseball Tournament. Joe wrote that watching the games was a lot of fun and takes up a lot of their spare time. [Ed. Note If we get an update on Andrew's team's success before we go to press, we'll let you know.]

"Proud mom and grandmom" **Joal Solaas** visited her two daughters and grandchildren in Boston for Mother's Day.

**Frankie Sprague** is still enjoying her memories from years at Central and North campuses! "How time flies!" she exclaims. "I retired in 1992—twenty-one years already!" Serious back problems limit her activities, but her children and grandchildren are all a joy!

**Don Voil** is still teaching at PBSC.

**Joan Young** will be spending Christmas week visiting her daughter, grand-daughter and great-grand-daughter. With the birth of two great-grandchildren last year, Joan realized she'd need a new name other than Grammy, which her grandchildren use. After much thought, she decided on Jomama!

Our new Secretary **Ric Zazzi** thanks all of us for the card we sent when he was undergoing carpal tunnel surgery. It seems the surgery left his fingers numb and nerve pain throughout his hand.

And now the sad news: the deaths of some of our members—**Don Cook, Charlie McCreight, Betty Morgan, and Larry Tuttle**.

**Don Cook** died on February 13 in Jacksonville at the age of 84. He joined the College in 1962 as a guidance counselor and testing director and retired in 1986 as Director of Counseling Services. He was

said to have had a wonderful sense of humor.

**Charles McCreight** (known to all of us as Charlie) died on July 11. He was on the College faculty from 1962 until retiring in 1991, teaching journalism and speech classes and acting as advisor to *The Beachcomber*, the College's national award-winning weekly student publication.. He was an early and avid supporter of the faculty union (United Faculty) at a time when it was discouraged by the College administration. According to his friends his main hobby (and delight) was in refinishing and refurbishing very old automobiles as authentically as possible.

**Betty Morgan** died on June 4. She was a long-time nursing faculty member (beginning in 1960) and director of nursing when she retired in 1992, after which a lecture hall in the Allied Health building was named in her honor. In 2002 the Florida Nurses Association honored her for her teaching career and her extensive volunteer work in the community.

**Larry Tuttle** died on July 30, less than a month after he had mailed us his membership dues and written in a barely decipherable hand: "Had a small stroke—now in Asst Living ? ? ? useless lost ability to write, smell and hear." Most of us who knew him only as chairman of the Law Enforcement/Criminal Justice Program, had no idea of the variety of his careers and activities before he became an educator: an Eagle Boy Scout, an officer in the USA Army and earner of several medals, earning his Master's Degree in Education after retiring from the Army after 26 years.. An extensive obituary on Lawrence Tuttle was published in *The Palm Beach Post*, Saturday, August 3, 2013..

### CRA Webpage

Our CRA webpage within the College website is now available. Enter [www.palmbeachstate.edu](http://www.palmbeachstate.edu) into your browser field at the top of your screen and then click on the "Faculty & Staff" heading above the photos on the College's homepage. Scroll down through the middle column and click on the College Retirees Association (CRA) under Organizations. You can open any of the items listed in the blue area to the left, just by clicking on it. New photos will be added after each meeting, so please visit often!

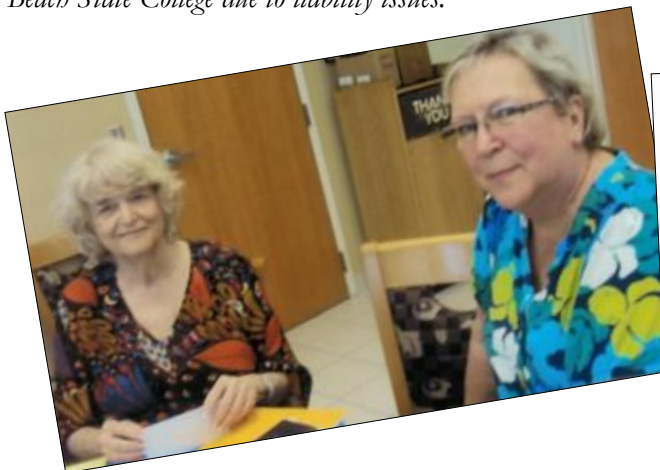
### CRA Member Benefits—A College ID Card and/or College Email Address Required

Lion Country Safari Appreciation Days for Military/Government Employees (including public school and college employees) are from September 12 through November 12, 2013. The discounted price of entry is \$12.99 per person for retirees/employees and 4 guests in one vehicle. An additional fee of \$6.00 is for parking. Regular adult entry price is \$28.50. A College ID is required for this discount.

Wings Plus at 4455 South Congress Avenue gives a 10% discount when a College ID card is shown.

Other current employee discounts can be viewed at [www.palmbeachstate.edu/hr/benefits/life-and-work-resources.aspx](http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/hr/benefits/life-and-work-resources.aspx). The offers on this website are all approved for current employees of Palm Beach State. Many of these companies will offer the same discount to retirees with a College ID card, but please verify before purchasing. All benefits offered by the College to the College's employees (reduced theatre prices, etc.) are available to members of CRA, except use of the Wellness Center.\*

*\*Retirees are not approved to use the Wellness Center at Palm Beach State College due to liability issues.*



### College Email and ID Cards

Email [buhln@palmbeachstate.edu](mailto:buhln@palmbeachstate.edu) for the forms to acquire your College Email and/or College ID card. The ID card has a one-time cost of \$10.00 to cover the cost of materials. Both are valid as long as CRA Membership is current in good standing.

### Member Email Addresses

Please let me know ([buhln@palmbeachstate.edu](mailto:buhln@palmbeachstate.edu)) which email address you prefer to be used for your CRA news and announcements. Also, let me know when you change your non-College email address so that we don't lose you. (And of course please let us know if you change your home address.)

### Did you know . . .

. . . your spouse or significant other can also join CRA for \$15.00 and enjoy the same benefits available to you: College email and ID card, as well as being able to attend our meetings, where we offer a free lunch and interesting guest speakers?

### Snap Quiz:

**What happens if your membership is not renewed?**

**Answer: No Dues=No News=No Benefits!**





# **PALM BEACH STATE COLLEGE RETIREES ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF LUNCH MEETING OF MEMBERS**

**May 10, 2013 Faculty Dining Room, Lake Worth Campus**

## **Lunch/Socializing. 11:00-11:35 AM**

CRA President Shirley Hill called the meeting to order at 11:35 AM, welcomed all and asked each to introduce her/himself. This was followed by a moment of silence in remembrance of Charles McCreight and other colleagues who had died since the last meeting.

**Minutes.** Secretary Joan Young asked for any suggested corrections or changes to the minutes of the last meeting, which had been reproduced in the CRA Newsletter mailed to every member. There were none. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the meeting on October 19, 2012 as distributed. Passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report.** Treasurer Honey Duncan turned in a report on the CRA's funds.

Guest Speaker Virginia Brooks introduced guest speaker Kristin Hopkins, an Associate Professor of Art involved with the Art Gallery on the Lake Worth Campus, who discussed both the art in that gallery and how to understand and appreciate a work of art. Professor Hopkins called her talk: "Art 101 in a Nutshell."

**Communications Coordinator** Nancy Buhl requested that everyone inform her of their email addresses when they change or when they get new ones. Also, home addresses should be kept up to date.

**Appreciation Awards** were given to Honey Duncan, Bill Wilson, and Joan Young, all of whom served for many years as Treasurer, President, and Secretary, respectively.

**Nominations and Elections.** The Nominating Committee (Donna DiSesa, Helen Franke, and Bobbi Marsh) submitted the following slate for election to two-year terms, from May 10, 2013 to May 13 2015:

President Shelley Hill  
Vice President Marie Reddy  
Secretary Ric Zazzi  
Treasurer Mary Taylor.

There were no nominations from the floor. **It was moved and seconded to elect the nominees as presented.**

**The motion passed unanimously.** President Hill announced the following appointments for 2013-2015:

Communications Coordinator: Nancy Buhl  
Newsletter Editor: Joan Young  
Social Activities Coordinator: Jeannette Sanders  
Program Coordinator: Virginia Brooks  
Nominating Committee: Donna DiSesa, Helen Franke, Bobbi Marsh

**Bylaws Changes.** Nancy Buhl presented the changes to the Bylaws that were being recommended by the Executive Board by reading them aloud. (Attached copy of the Bylaws indicate the proposed changes in red.) Hill announced that at first the proposed changes would be put to a vote in their entirety and that if any member present had an objection to any of the proposed changes, he or she should vote NO, in which case the objectionable change(s) would be voted on separately. **It was moved and seconded to accept all the proposed changes as read. Passed unanimously.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Young, Secretary

# PLEASE SEND US NEWS ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE DOING! APPOINTMENTS FOR 2013-2015

*If you know of a member who is ill or who has died or who has suffered some kind of setback, or:*

*If you have a change in address or phone number (or if you know the address of a former member who has moved), please contact:*

**NANCY BUHL**

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*Don't forget e-mail addresses and cell phones!*

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*Send news about yourself or other members to:*

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*If you have an interesting idea for a speaker or program for one of our meetings, please contact:*

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*If you have a suggestion for a social event, please contact:*

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## DON'T FORGET TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR:

**Friday October 18, 2013**  
**MEMBER LUNCHEON**  
**MEETING**  
**11:30 AM -2:00 PM**  
**Faculty Dining Room**  
**Lake Worth campus**

**December 6, 2013**  
**HOLIDAY LUNCH**  
**PARTY**  
**Atlantis Country Club**  
**11:30 AM**

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*Annual dues are \$15.00  
each for all members.  
Due each May.*

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## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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**Honey Duncan**

**Helen Franke**

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*Left to Right:  
Donna DiSesa,  
Virginia Brooks  
and speaker  
Kristin Hopkins  
at the May 2013  
meeting.*

*Photos by Nancy Buhl, Rosalie Morrissey  
and Marie Reddy*